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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Four

Part B for April 1921

SUBJECT.

Grant of safe conduct passes to foreign Asiatic Vagrants.

8(4) To The H.A. Resident.

No. Pol 1047-07 11.4.21.

I have a copy of this Office circular no. G. 16187-246 police 83-19-2 of 16.12.20.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File No. 132-20

FILE HEADING.

Safe conduct passes to foreign Asiatic vagrants

From

The P. A. Resident in Mysore.

No. 1907 Dated 19.2.1921 Received 22.2.1921

Diary No. 1763	Enclos. 5	Spare Copies. —	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for information & necessary action copy of letter No. 11852 d/ 16/12 Dec 1920 from the Govt of Bombay, Home Dept to enclosures regarding the subject of dealing with foreign Asiatic vagrants.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Mirza Haidar Ali Baig referred to by the Deputy Supdt of Police, Belgaum, to whom certain officers of the Mysore State are alleged to have granted certificates and

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passports appears to be identical with the person regarding whom the Residency has already communicated (Vide Police 83-19 put up herewith)

2) Subd. for orders as to whether similar action has to be taken in regard to the present reference.

3) Certain instructions are laid down for guidance regarding these foreign vagrants. May these be communicated to the D. G. of Police?

4) Subd.

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5) A circular prohibiting the grant of passes has already been issued, vide Circular no. 9/1687-246-PR 83-19-2 dt. 16-1-20

6) It will be seen from the statement sent with the Residency memo that the certificate in question were all granted before the issue of the said circular.

7) Subd. for orders

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8) Memo put up vide reply accordingly

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1) Draft Subd.

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1	Draft reply to the Residency to be sent for approval D. M. 8/3 Resident 11) May issue. 10-3-21, D. M. 10/3
2	To The A. A. Resident no Pol 966 dt 12-3-1921 States that a circular prohibiting the grant of passes etc. to such persons has been issued in this Office circular no G 16187-246 Pol 83-19-2 dt 16-1-1920 which was communicated to him in this Office letter no Pol 444 Pol 83-19-3 dt 19-1-1920. From The T. A. K. no. 2979/113/1916 G 28-5-1921 Requests that a copy of this Office circular no G. 16187-246 Pol 83-19-2 G 16-1-20, may be sent to the Residency
3	12) D/f to the Residency forwarding a copy D. 29/3. 29/3 13) Issued D. M. 29/3

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4	To, The C. A. Resident no Pol 1047, dt 11-4-1921. Forwards a copy of this Office circular no G 16184-24 Pol 83-19-2 dt 16-1-1920 regarding the grant of Safe conduct passes to foreign Asiatic vagrants.

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MYSORE RESIDENT'S OFFICE,

Bangalore, 19th Feby 192 1.

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GEN & REV. SECTT.
21 FEB 1921

A copy of the marginally* noted letter, with enclosures, is forwarded, with compliments, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore. for information and favour of necessary action.

No. 11852 dated 16th December 1920 from the Government of Bombay Home Department.

In this connection a reference is invited to the correspondence ending with the enclosure's letter No 777 Pol, dated the 19th January 1920.

(Pol 83-19)

First Assistant Resident.

R. O. 178.—R. P. B.—8-1920.—1,000.

Letter No. 11852, dated the 16th December 1920, from the Deputy Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Home Department, Bombay, to the Hon'ble the Resident at Mysore.

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I am directed to forward a copy of letter from the Inspector General of Police, Bombay Presidency, No. 13112-A., dated the 28th October 1920, and of its accompaniment, a list containing among others some officials in the Mysore State, who issued safeconduct passes to the headman of a certain gang of Iranis. I am desired to refer you to the instructions of the Government of India, contained in paragraph 53 of Home Department Resolution No. 29-989 to 1000, dated the 20th May 1879 (copy attached), and to request that you will be so good as to ask the Mysore State to issue instructions to their Officials prohibiting the grant of safe-conduct passes to foreign Asiatic vagrant. I enclose herewith a copy of Order No. 11851, dated the 16th December 1920, issued by the Government of Bombay.

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Letter No. 13112-A of 1920, dated the 28th October 1920, from the Inspector-General of Police, Bombay Presidency, to the Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Bombay.

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Subject:- Foreign Asiatic Vagrants.

I have the honour to advert to Government Orders in the Judicial Department Nos. 7434 and 5245, dated respectively, the 3-11-1900 and 2-10-1903, which contain instructions for dealing with gangs of foreign Asiatic Vagrants.

2. As Government are aware some foreign visitors are a source of great nuisance to the public. Those known as Iranis are specially troublesome. They insist on travelling by rail without tickets bullying the station staff into agreeing to this. Their ostensible means of livelihood is the sale of knives, locks and other articles of

of ironmongery. They also prepare and sell imitation old coin. Very often they extort money by picking quarrels. They steal chiefly on the Railway and its vicinity. A good proportion of their income is obtained by illegal sources.

3. To illustrate further the methods of these people, I subjoin an extract from the Administration Report of the District Superintendent of Police, Sholapur for 1919.

"Gangs of Iranis also paid frequent visits to the District (Sholapur town especially) and made nuisances of themselves as usual. In my opinion, the sooner these gangs are removed from the country the better. They have really no means of livelihood except petty pilferring, extortion and other such nefarious means under the guise of selling scissors, beads etc., and they are a positive dread to every one. I believe they travel by train in gangs and never pay for tickets, as no one dares ask them for fear of being assaulted; in fact they are a nuisance to every one and terror to most and the wholesale deportation of the lot would be a kindness to the residents of the towns they visit like locusts."

4. In spite of the prohibition contained in Government Order, Judicial Department No. 5245, dated the 2nd October 1903, the practice of issuing permit has not altogether ceased. I append a list of officers who issued so called passports to the headman of a gang of Iranis and request that the orders prohibiting the grant of permits to such gangs may kindly be reissued in emphatic terms. I also suggest that other local Governments may be asked to co-operate in this matter.

5. It is under consideration what methods should now be adopted for dealing with Iranis, whether, for instance by deportation as foreigners (Persians) or by application of the Criminal Tribes Settlement Act to them. A further report in this matter will be submitted later.

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List of officers who gave certificates or passports to the head-man of Iranis, named Mirza Haideralli Baig, "Sirdar (as some of the passports call him Sirdar) of Shiraz - Persia, now in Belgaum."

Serial No.	Designation of the officer, who gave passport.	District Division of Taluka.	Presidency or State.	Date of the passport.
1	2	3	4	5
1.	District Superintendent of Police.	Tumkur District.	Mysore State.	30-9-1919.
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6.	Superintendent of Police.	French Rocks.	Mysore State.	17-9-1917.
7.	District Superintendent of Police.	Hassan District.	-do-	11-11-1919.
8.	Inspector General of Police.	Bangalore (Mysore State)	-do-	27-7-1917.
	x x x x x x x x x x x			
25.	District Magistrate.	Bangalore District.	Mysore State.	25-7-1917.

Sd. R. V. Kowshik,

Belgaum, 13-9-1920.

Deputy Superintendent of Police, Belgaum.

Copy of paragraph 53 of Resolution of the Government of India Home Department, No. 29-989 to 1000, dated 20th May 1879:-

53. The Bombay Government do not seem to require any special orders. But it is deemed useful to circulate for the information and guidance of all the Local Governments and Administrations and the officers subordinate to them general instructions in respect of the treatment of foregin vagrants while in British India, as the Government of India are not prepared to undertake any special legislation on the subject of gipsy gangs.

Those instructions are -

(1) that the fronter Provinces are responsible that such gangs are not allowed to pass into India;

(2) that in any Province where such a gang commit any depredations no effort should be spared in bringing the chief offenders to justice for specific crimes, or treating them, as the law allows, under Chapter XXXIII, of the Criminal Procedure Code;

(3) that, on no account should such gangs be passed on under police or other guards into other districts or other Provinces; but, if deportation is deemed necessary, it should be carriedout at once, under Act III of 1864, full lists and descriptive rolls of the deported persons, with photographs of the leaders, being taken and forwarded to the frontier Governments; and

(4) that, on no account should safe-conduct passes or licenses to carry arms be granted to gangs of this type, or to any members of such gang; and that, if arms or ammunition are found in their possession, they should be at once disarmed in accordance with the provisions of the Arms Act.

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Permits.

Instructions of the Government of India prohibiting the issue of safe-conduct passes to foreign Asiatic vagrants.

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

Home Department.

Order No.11851.

Secretariat, Fort, Bombay.

Dated the 16th December 1920.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT.

It has been brought to the notice of Government, that certain officials in the Bombay Presidency, issued safe-conduct passes to a headman of a gang of Iranis. This action was in contravention of the instructions of the Government of India, embodied in Government Orders No.7434, dated the 3rd November 1900, and No.5245, dated the 2nd October 1903. The attention of the officers concerned is again drawn to the above Orders, which probibit the grant of safe-conduct passes to any members or member of gangs of foreign Asiatic vagrants.

(sd) G. Wiles,
Deputy Secretary to the Government of
Bombay, Home Department.

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REGISTRAR, RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

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SUBJECT.....

Diary No. of letter replied to 17963

General and Revenue Secretariat
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Date of issue 12th March 1921

Signed by Mr. B Ramaswamayya

Section Police
File No.
Serial No

No. Pol 966

To

The Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 3907-14/19th Feby 1921 forwarding for information & necessary action copy of letter No. 11832 d/ 16th Dec 1920 from the Govt of Bombay Home Dept regarding the question of dealing with foreign

over.

Asiatic regrets, I am directed to state that a circular prohibiting the grant of passes &c to such persons has been issued in this office circular No 52/51 G.A. 6/87 - 46 / Police 83-19-2 X dt 16th January 19[illegible] which was ~~this has been~~ communicated to you in this ~~office letter~~ No. Pol 777/ Police 83-19-2 dt 19th January 1920.

2nd Under these circumstances the Bombay Police do not consider that any further action is necessary in the matter.

I have &c

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for Registrar

It will be seen that the certificates & passports included in the list sent with the Bombay Govt's letter were all granted before the issue of the said circular.

List of enclosures.

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GEN & REV. &
Ch Secretary
28 MAR 1921

R. O. 2.—E. P. B.—12-1920.—1000.

No. 2979
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FROM

MAJOR C. T. C. PLOWDEN, I. A.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 28th March *1921.*

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 986-Pol., dated the 12th March 1921, regarding the grant of safe conduct passes to foreign Asiatic Vagrants, and to request that a copy of the Durbar's circular No. G-16187-246/Police 83-19-2, dated the 16th January 1920, may kindly be forwarded to this office as it was not received with your letter No. Pol.777, dated the 19th January 1920.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

FIRST ASSISTANT RESIDENT.

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to 20329

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 16th April 1921

Signed by Jno. B Ramaswamy

Section Pol

File No. 132-20

Serial No. 4

No. Pol 1047 Encl

To The J. A. Resident —

Sir

With reference to your letter no 2979/113/1916 of 28th March 1921, I am directed to forward herewith a Copy of this office Circular no. G. 1687-246-PF 83-19-2 of 16th Jany 1920 regarding regarding the grant of Safe Conduct-passes to foreign Asiatic Vagrants as desired in the above.

I have etc

D. M.

Typist — Please prepare 3 copies

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